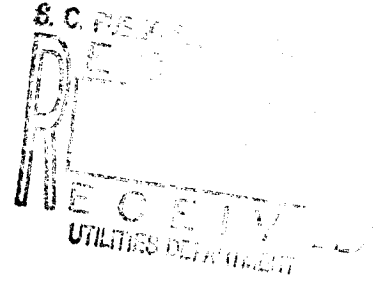


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November 20, 2003

Mr. Wayne Burdette, Manager  
Utilities Department  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
Columbia, SC 29211



Re: Docket Number 1997-239-C

Dear Mr. Burdette:

Attached are proofs of publication in the above referenced docket.

If you have any questions, please call Les Addis at 401-2216.

Yours truly,

Vice President

*Cindy Cox*  
Attachments 4A

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**The Greenville News**  
Post Office Box 1688  
Greenville, South Carolina 29602

**AFFIDAVIT**

I, Susan Mullinax, being the legal advertising agent for *The Greenville News*, do hereby testify that the attached legal ad was published on 177 lines in The Greenville News on 10-30-03, \_\_\_\_\_.

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Susan Mullinax  
Susan Mullinax, Legal Advertising Representative

James M. Sullivan  
Notary Public for State of South Carolina

My Commission Expires  
April 4, 2013

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BELLSOUTH  
REQUESTS INTRASTATE  
UNIVERSAL  
SERVICE FUNDING  
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A copy of the Application is on file in the offices of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, 500 North Main Street, Suite 1000, Columbia, South Carolina 29201, and is available through Cindy Cox, Vice President, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., P.O. Box 15500, Columbia, South Carolina 29212.  
Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at a hearing, if scheduled, should notify Bruce F. Duke, Deputy Executive Director, at the address below and Ms. Cindy Cox, at the address below, no later than December 3, 2003, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please refer to Docket No. 2003-239-C.  
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BRUCE F. DUKE  
Deputy Executive Director  
Public Service Commission  
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P.O. Drawer 11449  
Columbia, South Carolina 29211  
23-OCT-03

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THE STATE-RECORD CO., INC.

Columbia, South Carolina

publisher of

**The State**

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF RICHLAND

Personally appeared before me, Peggy Lawrence, Advertising Sales Support Manager of THE STATE, and makes oath that the advertisement,

BellSouth Requests Intrastate Universal Service Funding

was inserted in THE STATE, a daily newspaper of general circulation published in the City of Columbia, State and County aforesaid, in the issues of

October 30, 2003

*Peggy Lawrence*

Subscribed and sworn to before me

on this day October 31, 2003

*Bruce F. Duke*

Notary Public

My commission expires March 10, 2003

"Errors- the liability of the publisher on account of errors in or omissions from any advertisement will in no way exceed the amount of the charge for the space occupied by the item in error, and then only for the first incorrect insertion."

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF FLORENCE

Personally appeared before me

Kristen Turner

and upon being duly sworn that she is the Legal Clerk for the Morning News, publishers of the Morning News, a daily newspaper published and having circulation in the City of Florence, County of Florence, and the State of South Carolina and further says that the attached advertisement was duly printed in

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and

editions as shown by the files of said company.

Kristen Turner

Sworn and subscribed before me this 29th day of

Oct

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Janie B. Richardson  
Notary Public South Carolina

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Commission expires: My Commission Expires April 18, 2010

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Deputy Executive Director  
Public Service Commission  
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Columbia, South Carolina  
29211

23-OCT.-03  
(October 29, 2003)

TELECOMMUNICATIONS BELLSOUTH  
PO BOX 752  
Columbia SC 29202

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2003-10-20

Number of Copies: 1

## AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

# The Post and Courier

State of South Carolina

County of Charleston

Personally appeared before me the undersigned advertising  
Clerk of the above indicated newspaper published in the  
City of Charleston, County and State aforesaid, who, being  
duly sworn, says that the advertisement of

(Copy attached)

appeared in the issues of said newspaper on the following  
day(s):

11/01/2003

at a cost of \$ 139.74  
Account# 4012216BEL  
Order# C220KWLI  
P.O. Number: Bellsouth  
Subscribed and sworn to before

me this 3rd day  
of November  
A.D. 2003

Advertising Clerk

NOTARY PUBLIC, SC  
My Commission expires

3/14/05

### BELLSOUTH REQUESTS INTRASTATE UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUNDING

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth) filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina for intrastate universal service funding pursuant to Commission Order No. 2001-4122 under Docket No. 1997-239-G. This Order allowed eligible local exchange carriers to remove implicit support from its rates. BellSouth is seeking revisions to reduce the amount of its switched access service rates to remove a portion of the implicit support of those rates. To offset the revenue associated with the proposed rate reductions, BellSouth is seeking additional intrastate universal service funding.

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